

SETTING UP CALLS OVER CIRCUIT AND PACKET-SWITCHED RESOURCES ON A NETWORK

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Abstract of the Disclosure

A method of setting up calls over circuit-switched and packet-switched resources (117 and 121) on a single network comprising the steps of receiving (601) a request from a user for a call comprised of one or more resources and allocating (607 and 619) the one or more resources among packet-switched resources and circuit-switched resources associated with a communication network to set up the call. The call may be a multi-media call. Resources may be allocated based on one or more call characteristics that may be in a request (503) for resources by the user.